

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for updating information on security, in which a client is connected with a server through a network, said server including a storage device that is managed by said client, said storage device storing security information that is referenced by said client, said method comprising:

updating said security information stored in said storage device that said client manages in said server without communication between said client and said server.

2. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 1, wherein said client does not include a local disk device.

3. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 1, wherein said server is connected to a management computer through said network and wherein said updating said security information is conducted by said management computer.

4. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 1, wherein said storage device that said client manages in said server stores files that said client uses, and wherein said security information includes attributes relating to said files that said client uses.

5. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 4, wherein said security information includes access, control information with respect to said files that said client uses.

6. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 1, wherein said client references said security information of said client.

7. (original) A method for updating information on security according to claim 6, wherein said security information includes authentication information for permitting use of said client by a user.

8. (currently amended) A client connected to a server through a network, said server including a storage device, said client comprising:

a unit managing said storage in said server, said storage device storing security information that is referenced by said client, said security information being updated without [[operation of said client]] communication between said client and said server; and

a unit referencing said security information.

9. (original) A client according to claim 8, wherein said client does not include a local disk device.

10. (original) A client according to claim 8, wherein a management computer is connected to said server through said network and said security information of said client is updated by said management computer.

11. (original) A client according to claim 8, wherein said storage device that said client manages in said server stores files that said client uses, and wherein said security information includes attributes relating to said files that said client uses.

12. (original) A client according to claim 11, wherein said security information of said client includes access control information with respect to said files that said client uses.

13. (original) A client according to claim 8, wherein said security information includes authentication information for permitting use of said client by a user.

14. (currently amended) A server connected to a client through a network, said server comprising:

a unit communicating with said client through said network; and

a storage device that is managed by said client, said storage device storing security information that is referenced by said client, to be updated, without communication between said client and said server.

15. (original) A server according to claim 14, wherein said client does not include a local disk device.

16. (original) A server according to claim 14, wherein a management computer is connected to said server through said network and said security information is updated by said management computer.

17. (original) A server according to claim 14, wherein said storage device stores files that said client uses, and wherein said security information includes attributes relating to said files that said client uses.

18. (original) A server according to claim 17, wherein said security information includes access control information with respect to said files that said client uses.

19. (original) A server according to claim 14, wherein said security information is referenced by said client.

20. (original) A server according to claim 19, wherein said security information includes authentication information for permitting use of said client by a user.

21. (currently amended) A management computer connected through a network to a server, said server including a storage device that is managed by a client, said storage device storing security information [[of said client]] that is referenced by said client, said management computer comprising:

a unit communicating with said server through said network; and

a unit updating said security information [[of said client]] without communication between said client and said server.

22. (new) A method for updating information on security in a client and a server connected with each other through a network, said server including a storage device

that stores a file to be accessed by said client and security information to be used in access control for said file, said method comprising:

in said server, receiving security information from a management computer connected via the network, and updating said security information stored in said storage device to the received security information, and

in said client, each time said client accesses said file stored in said storage device of said server, referencing said security information stored in said storage device of said server, and performing access control for said file based on said security information.